

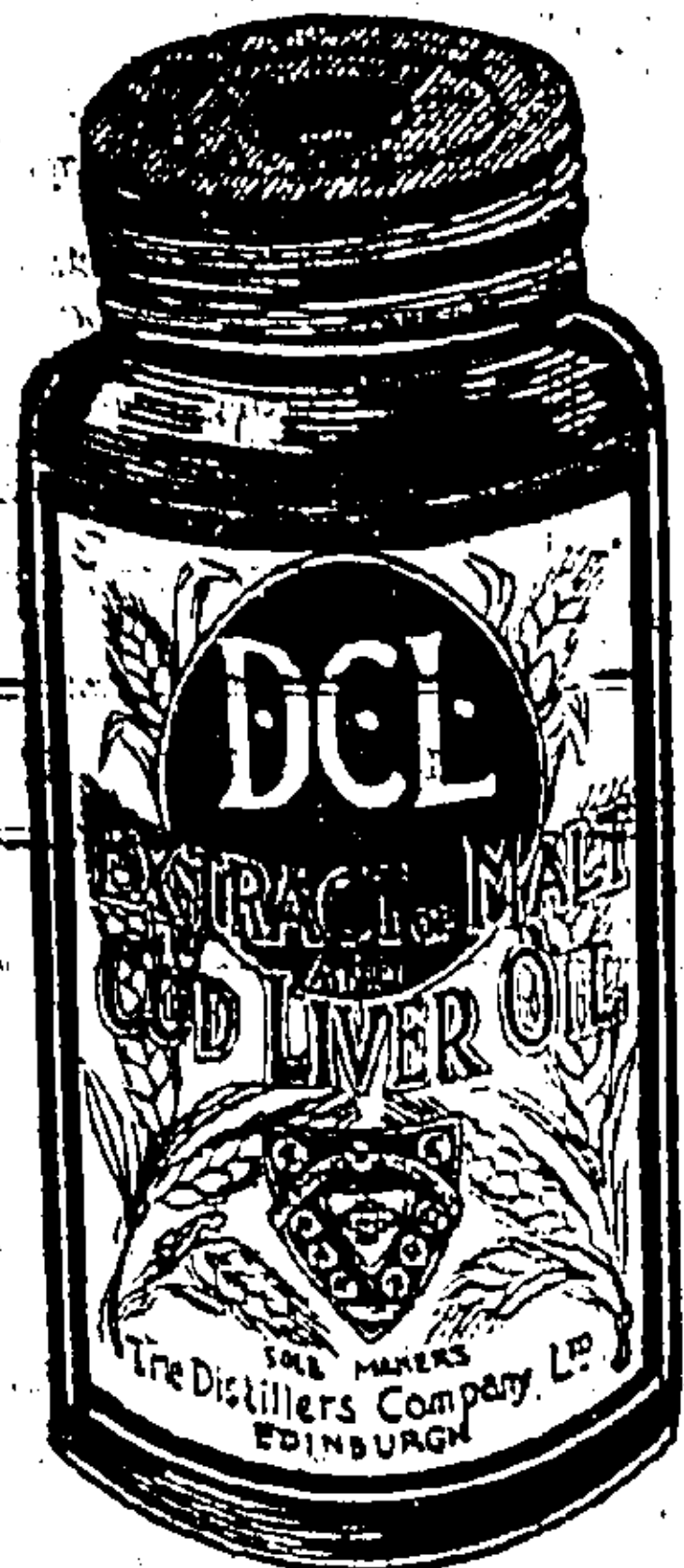
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The first written examination in
organization and regimental duties in
peace, military law, tactics, &c., and in
the subjects for promotion of lieutenants
to captains and captains to majors in
the Royal Artillery, Royal Engineers,
and other corps will be held in April.
The first written examination in
the field duties will be held in July
and February of each year, and the
written examinations in April and
October.

HISTORIC "TEST" THRILLS. SOME INTERESTING CRICKET REMINISCENCES.

Remarkable stories about old Test match players and notable incidents in Test matches between England and Australia are recalled by a writer in the *Ceylon Independent*, who says:—Perhaps the most exciting in the long series is the historic "7 runs match" at the Oval.

The following stirring account appears of that dramatic contest in R. G. Barrow's "Forty Seasons of First Class Cricket." "I shall never forget this match while I live. The excitement was indescribable and the scene after the match something to remember for all time. The strain on the spectators was so great at the finish that one onlooker dropped down dead. Another with his teeth gnawed pieces out of the top of his umbrella. That was the match in which for the final half-hour you could have heard a pin drop, while the celebrated batsmen A. P. Lucas and Alfred Lyttleton were together and Spofforth and Boyle bowling at them, as they had never bowled before. That was the match in which the last English batsman had to scrawl his courage to the sticking place by the aid of champagne, when one man's lips were ashen grey and his throat so parched that he could hardly speak as he strode by me to the crease, when the scorer's hand shook so that he wrote 'Pentecost' name exactly like 'Pentecost' Felix whose opinion is quoted above by Barrow also said:—'I doubt whether there will ever be such another game for prolonged and terribly trying tension. Let us forget Australia won that match by 7 runs.'

In another veteran's reminiscence of that match I remember reading that C. T. B. Studd, with his pads on, waiting to go in, could not remain in the pavilion, so great was his nervous tension as he had to put him in a cab and took him for a short drive outside the Oval. He then went in and carried his bat out for nought.

CLIM HILL'S FEAT.

There have been other very exciting games and extremely close finishes. For instance in 1902 when Australia beat England at the Old Trafford by three runs the excitement was profound. The most memorable incident in that game was Clem Hill's catch at square leg, where he dismissed Dick Lilley off Hugh Trumble's bowling. I have just glanced at Lilley's book "Twenty years of Cricket" and find this reference to the incident I have quoted—'When I was at the wickets together with Rhodes we were within eight runs of victory. I then made a big square leg hit off Trumble and Hill, fielding on the boundary towards long on started off at full speed. It did not seem possible at first to make the catch, but the wind seemed to get under the ball slightly turning it in its flight and enabled Hill to bring off a magnificent catch while running at full speed.' Clem Hill by the way is to-day one of Australia's three selectors.

The last batsman in was P. W. Tate, father of M. W. Tate, who is now making his debut in England v. Australia matches. Tate Senior went in with eight runs more to win. He hit a ball to leg for four but the next one bowled him and Australia triumphed by three runs. There is no other instance on record in international cricket of a father and son both winning Test match honours.

ULLYETT'S CATCH.

Talking about sensational catches in Test matches one is reminded of the incident that took place in 1882 also at Manchester. "Ulyett's Catch" has become historic in Test match annals. George Giffen in his Reminiscences "Fights for the Ashes" says:—'The catch with which Ulyett dismissed Bonnor I regard as one of the most brilliant I have ever seen. Bonnor had been sent in to knock off the dangerous Yorkshireman. He got one fourer and then made a mighty drive. Every one looked down the ground to see where the ball landed, and the spectators began to open a space in the ring but the ball did not reach the crowd. Ulyett put up his hand and meeting it with the right spot of his hand held it. I was Bonnor's *vis-a-vis* at the time and fully appreciated the merit of that effort.'

Another historic catch made in a Test match has been credited to G. R. Hazlett, a member of Rev. E. F. Waddy's team, that came to Ceylon in 1914. Hazlett played for Australia v. England at Sydney in the Fourth Test. He was fielding at short leg to Hobbs, who was facing Dr. Hordern. Here is "Flum" Warner's description of that catch—'Hazlett was fielding at short leg to Hordern, Hobbs cocked a ball up, Hazlett dashed in shot out his right arm and falling prone, caught the ball a couple of inches from the ground.' Hazlett made yet another historic catch in a Test match v. England at the Oval in the Triangular Tests of 1912, when he performed a somersault at short leg in catching Spofforth off Macartney.

RESERVE OF OFFICERS.

EXAMINATIONS FOR PROMOTION.

The War Office announce that the first qualifying examination (practical and oral) on duties in the field for promotion of officers appointed prior to February 1st, 1924, to Class I of the Regular Army Reserve of Officers or the Territorial Army Reserve of Officers will be held next month.

The first written examination in organization and regimental duties in peace, military law, tactics, &c., and in the subjects for promotion of lieutenants to captains and captains to majors in the Royal Artillery, Royal Engineers, and other corps will be held next April. Thereafter the practical examinations in the field duties will be held in July and February of each year, and the written examinations in April and October.

AFTER-WAR PROBLEMS. PLEA FOR SEAMEN AND EX-SERVICE MEN.

Mr. Basil Peto, during the debate on the Address in the House of Commons on December 10th, supported the cause of ex-Service pensioners, and entered a plea for consideration of the position of British seamen in view of the clause in the trade treaty with Germany respecting the employment of Germans in British ships.

He hoped the Minister of Pensions would look at the case of the ex-Service men from a wide point of view. There had been so many changes of Government that the ex-Service pensioners had had nothing done for them. It was a rapidly diminishing obligation, and, therefore, there was every reason for dealing with these cases liberally.

When they were considering the possibility of the employment of those men who were partially disabled, they must remember that under existing industrial conditions a large proportion were barred from earning anything at all. When the Royal warrant was issued, that condition of affairs was not taken into consideration because there was a great movement for the employment of all ex-Service men; but that had not worked out.

Twenty per cent. of the disabled cases received nothing at all, and had to have recourse to Poor-law relief. The nation had only one pocket, and the question was whether these men should be thrown on the Poor-law or charity, or get their deserts from the Government.

GERMAN REPARATIONS.

As to German reparations, what was the position with regard to the war losses of people in this country? He had always understood that those who suffered by the sinking of our vessels by German submarines were to be dealt with as a first charge on money received in the way of reparations. There were seamen's claims and claims such as he had in his constituency of men whose sole wealth in the world was one little ship sunk by the Germans.

It was understood that, at all events, these claims would be settled by the British Government, but the Commission set up under Lord Sumner had only £3,000,000 to disburse, and they whittled down the claims to what they thought was right and then went into the case from the point of view of how far it could be met within the limit of the £3,000,000, not a penny of which came from Germany, but from the British Treasury.

GERMAN SEAMEN.

The Treaty of Commerce and Navigation with the German Reich included, perhaps inevitably, a provision by which German seamen were once more to be admitted to the rights which other foreigners possessed of serving in the British mercantile marine.

Undoubtedly every German steward and every German seaman who was employed in a British ship would mean one more unemployed British steward and British seaman, unless they were to believe the claim of the shipwrecking community that these German stewards and German seamen were so essential that they would enable them to undertake what they could not possibly do without these German-speaking people on board their ships.

There had been no trade in which unemployment was worse than among officers and men of the British mercantile marine. Since the war he was told that the timber-carrying trade of the Baltic was in German hands for the reason that they worked their ships cheaper and they paid less wages. He suggested to the President of the Board of Trade that when we came to consider ratifying the agreement with regard to Imperial Preference it would be a very reasonable proposal that a cargo which claimed preferential Customs duties should come to this country from our Dominions and Colonies in British bottoms.

ARMAMENTS YEAR-BOOK.

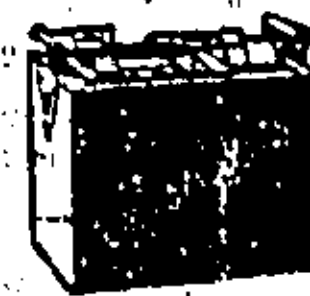
PUBLICATION BY LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

The Secretariat of the League of Nations has issued an *Armaments Year-Book*, containing information concerning 37 countries, Members and non-members of the League of Nations, as follows:—Albania, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, China, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Great Britain, Greece, Hungary, India, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, Newfoundland, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Roumania, Kingdom of the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Union of South Africa, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United States of America.

The *Year-Book* consists of a series of monographs, each of which deals with one State, and is generally divided into three parts. The first—and strictly military—part, which is the most important, gives detailed information concerning the organization and composition of the armed forces (supreme military authority; large units; arms and services, recruiting system; budgetary effectiveness, etc.). The second part deals with the question of budget expenditure on National Defence (analysis of expenditure, detailed notes on the various systems of accounting, etc.). The third part is concerned with industries capable of being used for war purposes, in particular the production of the more important raw materials (coal, petroleum, mineral ores, chemical products, etc.) and the trade in these materials.

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EXPORT CREDITS FOR EAST.

The India and China sections of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce have always been strongly opposed to the extension of the export credits scheme to India, Ceylon, China, and Hongkong, as far as trade in yarns and textiles is concerned. The Department of Overseas Trade inquired, however, recently whether the same objection was taken to the granting of applications for long credits in connection with contracts for engineering and other supplies to India, Ceylon, the Straits Settlements, China, and Hongkong. In the new number of the Chamber's *Monthly Record* it is stated that, after careful consideration, it was decided to inform the Department that the sections have no objection to the suggested extension being made. The engineering trade, therefore, is likely to receive the benefit of export credits.

WORLD SHIPBUILDING.

"Lloyd's Register" returns for the quarter ended December 31st show that the tonnage under construction in Great Britain and Ireland—1,296,971 tons—is about 171,000 tons less than at the end of September, 1924, and about 93,000 tons less than the tonnage building twelve months ago; it should, however, be pointed out that the tonnage on which work was suspended at the end of 1924 only amounts to 60,000 tons, as compared with 154,000 tons at the end of 1923. A considerable decrease is shown in the tonnage commenced during the quarter, namely:—104,894 tons, as compared with 252,745 tons during the third quarter of 1924. The tonnage launched during the quarter 1924 was only 7,590 tons lower than that for the September quarter. The total world tonnage shown in Table 6—2,470,438 tons—is 978,123 tons below the highest pre-war record reached on June 30th, 1913, viz.:—3,448,553 tons. The tonnage of vessels now building in the world which are to fitted with internal-combustion engines, amounts to 237,733 tons, while the tonnage of steam vessels under construction is 1,230,841 tons. Motor tonnage thus equals over 80 per cent. of the steam tonnage, showing the remarkable development which is taking place in the adoption of this system of propulsion. Vessels under construction abroad include eight in Hongkong of 18,390 tons gross and twelve in Japan of 38,890 tons. Ships commenced during the quarter include two in Japan of 6,830 tons, and vessels launched in the same country numbered four of 14,453 tons. In Japan two vessels under 2,000 tons are in hand, six of between 2,000 and 2,000 tons, three of between 4,000 and 5,999, and one of between 6,000 and 7,999.

MOTORISTS AND HUNTING.

LORD LASCELLES' ADVICE.

Viscount Lascelles was the principal guest on December 20th at the annual dinner of the Harrogate and District Automobile Club, when he made an interesting statement of the views of hunting men with regard to motor-cars following bounds.

He said he knew they were all sportsmen, and did not wish to spoil sport, and that when anything of that sort happened it was owing to their not understanding exactly the things which did spoil hunting. When motor-cars in great numbers lined the interesting roads in a hunting country it was almost impossible to have good sport, partly because hounds had very sensitive noses, and scent was ruined by the overpowering smell of oil and petrol, and also because motor-cars standing about on the roads were apt to head off the fox. He would be glad if those who came out in cars with the object of seeing sport and not of spoiling sport would realise that their best chance of seeing sport was to allow hounds that best possible chance, and not to interfere with them. What they wanted to see were horses galloping across country, and if they crossed the scent their chances of seeing that spectacle were reduced. He would like to make a suggestion which, he believed, was being followed in the Midlands, and that was to have a Field Master of motor-cars—someone who, having a knowledge of hunting, would be able to marshal those who came out in motor-cars, and to show them as much sport as was possible, whilst doing very little damage to those hunting on horseback. He hoped all would realise that hunting could only be enjoyed to its full extent by people mounted on horses, and that in the following of hounds that would be borne in mind. Viscount Lascelles went on to refer to the question of headlights on motor-cars and to the danger of slippery roads. His huntsman at this moment, he said, was going about on crutches owing to breaking a leg by slipping upon a high road. He hoped people driving motor-cars would be as careful as possible while horses were about.

Some reference had been made to headlights, and to the custom of turning them out on meeting someone. Whilst there was no question, he said, that the glare of headlights was very frightening to horses, they were even more frightened when the lights suddenly flickered and went out about twenty yards away. If any instructions were issued by those responsible as to the turning on and off of headlights, he hoped they would be to the effect that the lights should be turned off a sufficient distance before meeting the horses. To turn them off twenty yards away was more dangerous than not to do it at all.

GERMAN RACING STOCK.

Every effort is being made to improve thoroughbred stock in Germany. In addition to recent purchases of well-known horses, two mares, Revolin (by Woolwinder, dam Roma) and Kiralynon (by Rascal, dam Silver Tyne), have been sent to the stud in England to Bachelor's Double and Grand Parade respectively. Other mares are also to be sent to visit England.



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PEKING NOTES

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

GLOOM PERVADES THE OUTLOOK.

PEKING, January 21st.
Depression is very visible in Peking. The politico-military situation offers no hope of an early return to normalcy, and while discomforts and inconveniences, not to speak of the soaring prices of commodities due to restricted supplies, are experienced, most people realise that bad as present conditions are they will shortly be much worse. Gloom pervades the general outlook, and the star of hope seems to have disappeared from vision, except perhaps in the case of some ambitious militarists. With a population facing food shortage, scarcity of coal, interrupted communications, and business at a complete standstill, it is not surprising that there should be a striking absence of that eagerness, hope and joy with which the Chinese New Year is greeted, but when we have superimposed on all this a military grip on the country which has no regard for the common weal the sad plight of the nation generally will be appreciated. Just to illustrate the state of affairs, it may be mentioned that in Peking alone it is estimated that over one thousand shops will not re-open their doors after the Chinese New Year (January 24th), owing to the inability of owners to meet their New Year settlements. As this misfortune will be duplicated in part throughout the cities of North China it calls for little imagination to realise that what should be a period of joy for the entire nation will prove a very sad time indeed.

ANOTHER WAR IN SPRING?

The crux of the military situation at the moment is Shanghai from which it is expected here that Marshal (Chi Hsieh) Yuan will be forced to flee and in which the authority of Peking, backed by Mukden, will be restored. On this subject I will make no further remark as the situation is susceptible of sudden and unexpected change.

Meanwhile Peking seems to be resigning itself to the prospect of another coup d'état and another civil war in the Spring. For that reason little importance is attached by the community to the actions, some of them very mysterious, of militarists. These are regarded as attempts to bluff which, however, deceive few. For some reason or other Sun Yueh, whom the Governor of Chihli declines to have at Paoinglu, to which post he had been appointed, comes into the French Hospital as a patient and unexpectedly takes his departure at one o'clock yesterday morning, bound for Paoinglu. It is incidents of this kind that keep the populace on the "jump."

THE COAL SITUATION.

The coal situation, as already remarked, is acute. The Ministry of Communications thought it had completed arrangements for moving coal along the Peking-Hankow line, but as Burns wrote "the best laid schemes of mice and men gang aft agley." The ministry had reckoned with a General who is lavish in promises, but they had not calculated upon soldiers who have acquired the instinct that when a train comes in sight it should be seized. And seized it is. In these circumstances the Chaiotungpu (Communications Dept.) are naturally at their wits' end. Apparently Chang Tso Lin has assisted to the extent of clearing the Peking-Mukden line and returning a quantity of rolling stock, but his troops have now succeeded in putting the Tientsin-Pukow railway out of business so far as regular traffic is concerned.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE PLAN.

Notwithstanding the wish of the Chief Executive to open the National Conference at an early date, it is manifest that the declaration of Sun Yat Sen that he will not support it unless "the people" are represented therein will have a disturbing effect, and may cause the postponement of the Conference. When it is recollected that public opinion asserts that Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang, General Hu Ching-tee, General Sun Yueh, Dr. Sun Yat Sen, and the Soviet Embassy are in collusion, some idea will be gained as to what Peking fears in the near future.

CINEMA NOTES.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

"The Master Mind," Lionel Barrymore's latest photoplay, will be exhibited at the Queen's Theatre today. Until the advent of the silver screen as a medium for imparting entertaining knowledge of life the study of the historic art was truly considerably limited, for it encompassed only the things which could be done on a stage of comparatively small dimensions. Now, thanks to the motion picture camera, the locale of a dramatic or comedy situation is almost unlimited and simultaneously it is thus provided possibilities of expanded action that goes a long distance in augmenting the importance of make-believe.

The Manila Vaudeville Co. is the added attraction at this theatre and during the run of the picture "The Master Mind" they will give an entirely new programme of songs and comedy.

CANTON NEWS.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

DISTRICT ASSEMBLIES.

The Union of District Assemblies of the Province of Kwangsi will meet at Wuchow, on February 18th. Delegates from every district, or Hsien, will attend. Among the items in the proposed agenda are the bills for a provincial constitution and local governments; questions of local currency, provincial banks, public highways, and West River communication and conservancy service. The industrial topics to be discussed will include those of cotton growing, paper manufacturing, mining reforms, Customs procedures, and the improvement of the hemp, sugar and other industries.

EXPERIMENTAL STATION.

The College of Agriculture and Forestry of the University of Kwangtung, a government institution, will be allotted 3,000 mu of land near Shek-pei along the Canton-Kowloon Railroad, for an experimental station. The inhabitants of Shek-pei have been trying to withhold the lands from the Government on the ground that they require them for their cemetery, but the objections have been lately overcome, and development of this site for an experimental station will proceed immediately.

CEMETERY RESTORED.

Upon vigorous protest by the Mohammedans in Canton, under the leadership of Mr. Ma Wen Ting, the Bolsheviks have finally decided to restore to them their cemetery at Jou-makong. Recently some 578 mu of Mohammedan lands were confiscated in accordance with the Kuomintang nationalization process.

HOMELESS SOLDIERS.

The severe cold in Canton the last two days in January forced many homeless people to seek shelter in front of shops and along side-walks having cover, the lowest temperature on the 30th being 44°. Many of the sufferers were discharged mercenaries of Dr. Sun Yat Sen's army.

VISITORS FOR DR. SUN.

Dr. Sun Yat Sen, president of the Kuomintang who is now seriously ill at Peking, has summoned to his bedside Mr. Chau Lu, president of Kwangtung University, Mr. T. V. Soong, managing director of the Central Bank, and Mr. Chan Su Pak, a former commissioner of internal affairs of Kwangtung, who are all on their way northward from Canton.

UNPOPULAR PAPER MONEY.

Although \$5,000,000 worth of paper money has been printed by the Central Bank at Canton, only \$800,000 is in circulation, according to local press reports. The Central Bank has decided to open a branch at Kowloon to promote the circulation of these notes. The reports of a pending attack on Canton by the anti-Bolsheviks, and the possible fall of the Kuomintang in the event of the death of Dr. Sun Yat Sen are working detrimentally to the popularity of the notes.

MR. TANG SHAO YI.

The latest Cantonese leader mentioned to succeed Dr. Sun Yat Sen as president of the Kuomintang Political Party is Mr. Tang Shao Yi, an ex-premier of the Republic of China. Mr. Tang is now in Shanghai and was recently appointed Minister of Foreign Affairs in the present Peking Provisional Government, but he has refused to assume the office.

BUILDING DISPUTES.

The big fire in Wuchow last year which involved hundreds of buildings scattered over many streets has been followed by many cases of property rights peculiar to Chinese customs, such as the preferential rights reserved to tenants who have had improved the building on the property of their landlords and the like. In order to expedite the rebuilding of the port and the settlement of these cases, it has been proposed by the local judicial courts to have a special commission to try all these cases, and opinion from the leading organizations of the port, the General Chamber of Commerce, and others regarding the advisability of such an action is being sought. In many cases contracts for building have been let but work has to be suspended owing to the sudden interference of parties having connections with the properties concerned.

ANOTHER TOURIST SHIP.

The Cunarder *Franconia* left Liverpool on January 3rd for New York to commence her second round the world cruise. The *Franconia* has been specially designed for voyages of this kind, and although her accommodation is for about 2,000 passengers, the number on this trip has been restricted to 400. In the course of her cruise the ship will call at nearly 30 ports and cover a distance of about 30,000 miles. The itinerary includes Madeira, Spain, France, Italy, Egypt, India, Ceylon, China, Japan, Panama and the West Indies. One of the ports at which she will call will be Taku (Peking), and it is interesting to note it will be the first occasion upon which a "cruise" ship has called there. The passengers will have for use at the various ports, two large motor boats, which will be slung each side of the upper deck of the ship. The *Franconia* will take over four and a-half months to do the cruise.

COMPANY MEETING.

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

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The 27th Ordinary Annual Meeting, an Extraordinary General Meeting, and an Ordinary General Meeting of the "Star" Ferry Co., Ltd., took place yesterday at noon, in the Board Room at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. Mr. B. D. F. Beith presided.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen,—As it is now past the hour for which the first of the three meetings was convened to-day, I will call upon the Secretary to read the notice convening the first of such meetings, being the Twenty-seventh Ordinary Annual Meeting.

The Secretary read the notice, and the Chairman then addressed the meeting as follows:—Gentlemen,—With your permission, I propose as usual to take the report and accounts as read. You will observe that the period covered is only eight months, i.e., from 1st May to 31st December, 1924, the reason being that your Directors consider it advisable to close the books on the 31st December, instead of 30th April, as hitherto, in order to bring the end of our financial year more in line with other Companies.

The profit on working for the period under review shows a satisfactory increase in proportion to the same period for the previous year, the balance available for appropriation including \$37,252.71 brought forward from last year being \$311,415.08, and your Directors recommend dealing with this amount as follows:—To pay a dividend of \$1.50 per share, to pay bonus of \$1 per share, and carry forward to new account \$211,415.08. Of this latter amount, as mentioned by me at our Extraordinary Meeting of the 11th ult., \$200,000 has been transferred to reserve fund for the purpose which I then explained.

With regard to our fleet, the two new boats referred to by me at our last annual meeting were completed after considerable unavoidable delay, and have been in commission since the beginning of the current year. They are proving satisfactory in every way from the passengers' point of view, but being more commodious and more powerful than the older boats, are more expensive to operate. They are, however, necessary to cope with the larger numbers travelling on our ferries, and the continued increase in the volume of traffic renders imperative the construction of further boats, and we are, therefore, considering plans for two more boats of approximately the same capacity as the *Cokien Star* and *Asterian Star*.

I do not think there is anything that calls for further comment from me at the meeting, and I now beg to propose the adoption of the report and accounts. After this has been seconded, I shall be glad to answer to the best of my ability any questions the shareholders may wish to ask.

There were no questions, and the adoption of the report and accounts was seconded by the Rev. Father Robert and carried unanimously.

The appointment of Mr. B. D. F. Beith, as a Director, was confirmed, being proposed by Mr. J. T. Bagram, and seconded by Mr. A. A. Alves.

The re-election of the retiring Director, Mr. C. Gordon Mackie was then proposed by Mr. E. H. Neave, and seconded by Mr. L. S. Greenhill, and carried.

Mr. C. Bernard Brown, A.C.A., was re-elected auditor, being proposed by Mr. W. J. Carroll, and seconded by Mr. J. Hyde.

The Chairman then said that concludes the business of the first meeting, and that dividend warrants may be obtained on application on and after Tuesday, the 3rd inst.

The Extraordinary Meeting was then held, and the Chairman called upon the Secretary to read the notice convening that meeting.

The Chairman said:—The object of this meeting is for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the first Extraordinary General Meeting held on January 14th, 1925, and of confirming, if thought fit, as a special resolution, the resolution which was passed at such first meeting. That resolution, as you will remember, concerned the insertion in the Articles of Association of a new Article respecting the capitalisation of profits, and at the before mentioned first meeting, I shortly explained the necessity for it. I do not, therefore, consider it necessary to deal further in question to add that at the meeting in question the new Article was unanimously passed as an extraordinary resolution. In order to comply with the Companies Ordinance, it is necessary that such resolution shall be confirmed at a special resolution.

(Continued on next Column.)

PRINCE GEORGE.

APPOINTED TO JOIN H.M.S. "HAWKINS."

Sub-Lieutenant His Royal Highness Prince George, K.G., K.C.V.O., has been appointed to H.M.S. *Hawkins*, to date January 15th. The *Hawkins*, which was recently refitted here, is to stay some time at Singapore for the conference of Admirals.

Prince George's service on the China Station will be for the normal period of two years. His Royal Highness, in company with other young officers in his seniority, resumes duty afloat after about two years study at the naval establishment, on shore at Portsmouth and Greenwich. As a midshipman he served in the battleship *Iron Duke*, in the Mediterranean, and in the *Queen Elizabeth*, in the Atlantic Fleet, and from the latter was lent in August, 1923, to the flotilla leader *Mackay* to gain experience of destroyer work. He entered the Royal Naval College at Osborne as a cadet in September, 1918, after being prepared at St. Peter's Court, Broadstairs. The Prince was 20 years old on December 20th.

His appointment to the China Station will give the Colony the opportunity of seeing one of the King's sons without the surroundings of official formality.

HONGKONG BOY SCOUTS' ASSOCIATION.

NEW ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER.

A TROOP OF SCOTTISH SCOUTS.

Mr. C. Champkin, who, in the absence of the Rev. G. T. Walldgrave, has been Acting Commissioner of the Boy Scouts movement in Hongkong, in the course of the Commissioner's Letter in the current issue of the *Silver Wolf*, the admirable official organ of the Boy Scouts' Association of Hongkong, writes:

I am very glad to announce that H.E. the Governor, Chief Scout Hongkong, has been pleased to appoint Lieut.-Colonel T. A. Robertson, O.B.E., Assistant Commissioner pending confirmation by Imperial Headquarters. Now it will stop cheering for a moment I will only add that Col. Robertson is a Scout in every sense of the word. He has scouted with the Chief Scout in Africa and he has scouted with the Boy Scouts in England, and in between he has scouted more curious corners of the world than I can remember. We are proud to have him as Assistant Commissioner and we give him a rousing and hearty welcome as a brother Scout.

I would like now to refer to the killed troop of Scottish Scouts that we are forming in the near future. Mr. R. M. Dyer suggested this excellent idea and is generously equipping the Troop with kilts and sporrans. He has communicated much of his enthusiasm to me and I expect great things from the Scottish Troop when formed. Already, I understand, four boys are struggling gamely with bagpipes, but we can't help that! Arrangements are being made for instruction in Scottish Dances and Highland games, but first and foremost will come Scouting. We cannot too strongly emphasize that. If we can bring to the Scout Spirit a national sentiment that will strengthen it, as I believe we can, then the success of the Scottish Troop will be assured.

The Chairman then proposed the confirmation, as a special resolution, of the resolution which was seconded by the Rev. Father Robert and carried unanimously.

The Ordinary General Meeting of the Company then took place, and after the Secretary had read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman said:—This meeting is for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the Company's resolutions increasing the capitalisation of \$400,000 standing to the credit of the reserve fund, and the issue of bonus shares. At the extraordinary general meeting held on January 14th last, I explained the reasons why your Directors thought it essential to bring forward these extraordinary resolutions. I do not think there is anything further which I need say respecting them, but if any shareholders would like to ask any questions or seek any explanation, I shall be pleased to endeavour to answer such questions and give such explanations to the best of my ability.

There were no questions, and the Chairman proposed the resolutions. These were seconded by the Rev. Father Robert and were carried unanimously. This concluded the business of the meeting.

Those present were: Mr. B. D. F. Beith, the Hon. Sir Paul Chater, Mr. C. Gordon Mackie (Director), Mr. W. L. Shenton (Solicitor), Mr. W. S. Brown (Secretary), and the following shareholders: The Rev. Father Robert, Messrs. L. S. Greenhill, J. T. Bagram, Felix M. Ellis, J. Hooper, W. Hyde, A. A. Alves, W. J. Carroll, J. F. Braga, E. H. Neave, E. S. Ford, E. Sadick, H. A. Edgar, O. E. Ribeiro, A. H. M. de Souza, M. J. Cox, F. H. Crapnell, Choa Po Min, Chan Yat Fung and Kong E. Suen.

THE FILM "HOLLAND."

INTERESTING PICTURE AT THE HELENA MAY INSTITUTE.

Under the auspices of the Netherlands community in Hongkong, an interesting film, "Nederland," or "Holland," descriptive of that country, its people, customs and industries, etc., was screened at the Helena May Institute last evening. The screening of this film is being carried out in various parts of the world, mainly for propaganda purposes, the expenses entailed being met generally by the local Dutch community wherever it is shown. The "Vereniging-Nederland in den Vreemde"—one whose object is to distribute reliable information about Holland and her Colonies, is responsible for the issue of the film, and to carry out their object the Association caused this typical Dutch film to be made for production in other countries.

Hongkong is the first place in this area of the Far East (Japan and China), to be favoured with the film, it being sent here by the Legation in Peking. It is proposed to screen it in the Colony at least three times, and one of these exhibitions will be set apart for the benefit of the children. It will afterwards be despatched to Amoy, and from thence to other parts of the Far East.

Among the notable company present at the Helena May Institute last evening were H.E. the Governor (Sir Edward Stubbs, K.C.M.G.), who was accompanied by his Private Secretary (Mr. Gaisford St. Lawrence), the Consul-General for the Netherlands (Mr. M. J. Quist), the Hon. Sir Claud and Lady Severn, the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., and Lady Pollock, the Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, C.B.E., K.C. (Attorney-General), Commodore Stirling and Mrs. Stirling, Sir Robert Ho Tung, and Mr. Ho Kwong.

The picture proved both informative and entertaining. The views ably demonstrated that however small Holland may be, compared to other countries, it was Colonies—East Indian and West Indian—disproportionately large. The population of Holland stands at over 7 millions, that of the Netherlands East Indies (generally known collectively as "Java"), comprises over 60 millions. The members of the audience last night were taken through the country by rail, so to speak, and as they travelled through the eleven provinces forming Holland, the outstanding points of interest in the districts, cities, towns and villages of note or importance were on view. Thus one was able to acquire quite a good idea of what the country is like.

Groningen, the important northern university town is first visited, Assen, the capital of the province of Drenthe, follows with its "moor," development and the peat industry. Then comes Leeuwarden, the capital of Friesland, the province renowned for its Friesian-Holstein pedigree cattle—the famous black and white—of which the Hongkong Dairy Farm still boasts descendants. Skating on the lakes in winter in Friesland is witnessed and then, via Stavoren, the Zuiderzee, the large inner sea of Holland, is crossed to Enkhuijzen in the province of North Holland. The picture here depicts how the taming of the Zuiderzee is being accomplished. Volendam is the next stopping place, where the people still retain their old fashioned gear. Then follows Alkmaar, the biggest cheese market of Holland; and then the glory of all—Amsterdam, the capital. A survey of the capital, buildings, including the Central Station, the house in which Rembrandt lived, and the port of Amsterdam is taken at leisure, and you are then transported to Haarlem, famous for its bulbs, and see miles of flowers in profusion. Leyden, the oldest University town of Holland, gives us a glimpse of its seat of learning, and other interesting parts of the town, and then The Hague, the residence of the Queen and the seat of the Government, is visited. Coming to the Westland we see that it is a big centre for growing vegetables and grapes under glass for home consumption and export. A large part of the film is devoted to Rotterdam, the foremost port of the Netherlands, and river, port and town scenes are depicted. We next see Utrecht, with its beautiful and famous cathedral, and then hurry on to Zwolle, the pretty capital of Overijssel on the Yssel. Giethoorn, the tiny Venice of Holland, is not forgotten; and a short visit to Enschede, the large cotton spinning and weaving centre follows. Next come the coal mines of the province of Limburg; while a considerable time is also spent in seeing the Philips Electric Bulb Works at Eindhoven. Bois-le-Duc, shows its fine Cathedral and finally the province of Zeeland is reached, where sugar beet, pretty girls and the town hall of Middelburg are to be seen. Those privileged to witness last night's exhibition were outspoken in praise of the opportunity given them by the local Dutch community and the management of the Helena May Institute.

COURT OF THREE JUDGES.

BANK OF EAST ASIA CASE APPEAL.

ALLEGED SWINDLE.

In the Supreme Court yesterday morning, before the Full Court (comprising Sir Skinner Turner, K.C., Sir Henry Gollan and His Honour Mr. Justice Gompertz), Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., applied on behalf of the Bank of East Asia for a rehearing of a case, in which he alleged that there had been a swindle. Counsel asserted that a man named Lau Sze Yuen, the Hongkong partner of the plaintiff respondent firm, was a party. It was stated that the case was heard before Sir William Rees Davies and a special Jury more than a year ago, when the Tai Wo Company sued the Bank of East Asia for \$72,000, money lent, and obtained judgment.

The Bank was represented by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. F. C. Jenkin appeared on behalf of the Tai Wo Company.

In making his application, Mr. Potter said that the claim for money lent was the usual one where a depositor sued a bank for money received by them as bankers, and that the defence of the Bank was that the sum was drawn out by two cheques (dated October 25th and 27th) for \$23,000 and \$37,000. The Bank, in their pleadings, said they were the cheques of the Tai Wo firm. In the reply filed, the plaintiffs alleged that the cheques were wrongfully made, and if they had been debited, they had been wrongfully debited. Their declaration was that both the signature of Lau Sze Yuen and the Company's chop were forged.

The office of the Tai Wo Company, Counsel said, was on the first floor of No. 13, Eastern Street, and though they were described as merchants, the Bank could prove that their business was nil. Judging from the books the firm was started in August, 1922, but the only business done was the purchase of certain double-eagles, gold dollars. No tokens were employed in the business. On September 6th, the firm opened an account with the Bank, and \$10,000 was paid in. The signature of Lau and the firm's chop were submitted, and on October 19th, an application was made for a new cheque book. This application bore the signature of Lau.

Mr. Potter referred to the evidence given by Li Po Tin, the assistant cashier, and said that he sent a chit coolie with the cheque book out of which the cheques were taken, to the Tai Wo offices, and that the coolie returned with a signed receipt and chopped chit book.

The cheques were drawn, under remarkable circumstances, said Mr. Potter, and whoever drew them undoubtedly had an intimate knowledge of the firm's accounts. Funds were at a low ebb, but money was put in to bring the account up to \$35,163. On October 25th, a cheque was drawn for \$33,000, and fortunately for the swindler, the firm of merchants, who did no business, placed \$17,500 to their account in the Bank, and on the following day \$20,000. On that day a cheque for \$37,000 was presented. It was drawn in favour of the Yangtze Trading Company, and it was accepted that this account was merely opened for the purpose of the swindle. The fair inference was that it was opened by someone who knew what the Tai Wo balance would be in the near future. The application, said Mr. Potter, was based on the fact that Sir William Rees Davies withdrew the case from the hands of the Jury by instructing them to find for plaintiff.

After further hearing their Lordships adjourned the case until this morning.

FIREMEN TO RESCUE.

SMART WORK BY KOWLOON'S BRIGADE.

Just before 6 o'clock last night, the Kowloon Fire Brigade were called out to Hung Hom where a house, 99-101, Wuhu Street, had collapsed and was on fire. At the time of the collapse, there were seven people in the house; five of whom were buried in the debris. Fortunately, the despatch with which the firemen set to work resulted in all the victims being extricated, alive though their injuries necessitated a removal to the Kwong Wah Hospital. The outbreak of fire was soon got under control.

EUROPEAN'S SUICIDE.

ENQUIRY HELD INTO DEATH OF LOCAL TAILOR.

Sitting as a Coroner at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, Mr. J. R. Wood held an enquiry concerning the death of Mr. Frederick Charles Higgins, a well known local tailor, who, as reported in the Daily Press, was found lying on a seat in Kennedy Road last Wednesday morning, shockingly wounded in the head. The deceased was holding a revolver in his hand, in which were two empty and two unfired cartridges. On the way to the Government Civil Hospital Mr. Higgins expired, and the circumstances of the case pointed to suicide.

At the enquiry yesterday Dr. C. W. McKenny stated that when deceased was brought to the Government Civil Hospital, about 8 a.m. last Wednesday he was dead. The cause of death was a fracture of the skull, due to two bullet wounds. The shot had gone through the head, just behind the ear. The bullet must have been fired at a very short distance. The nature of the wound was consistent with the idea that it might have been self-inflicted.

Mr. William Philip Simpson, a tailor, of 32, Kennedy Road, with whom deceased had lived latterly, gave evidence of identification and said he became acquainted with deceased many years ago and they formed a friendship. When Mr. Higgins started in business on his own account in Ice House Street, witness joined him in the business, working for him as an employee.

In answer to Mr. Wood, witness said he first became aware that deceased was in financial difficulties towards the end of 1924. Deceased had lived with him of late, and had paid him no salary. Deceased had scarcely worked at his trade since last September. Witness had observed that he was depressed and deceased had remarked to him that he was "fed up" with things. Witness last saw deceased alive on the previous Tuesday, when he came to the shop and had a conversation with witness. Witness knew he had a revolver, and also knew he had been carrying it about with him for a month. On the night of January 27th he thought he heard deceased come in about one o'clock in the morning, but was not certain.

Mr. A. W. Hill, Head Bailiff of the Supreme Court, stated that he took charge of deceased's effects and stock at his business premises on the date of his death. He made an inventory of his effects and stock. The latter was very small, the only assets being four small pieces of cloth, the counters and some glass in the shop. The value of the stock was about \$150 altogether. He made inquiries as regarded any assets deceased might have had, and as far as he could learn they only amounted to about \$150; while the liabilities came to nearly \$3,000. An Indian policeman, who found deceased lying on the seat in Kennedy Road, said that blood was coming from Mr. Higgins' head and he was still holding a revolver in his right hand. He communicated with the Central Police Station and an ambulance was sent, but deceased died on the way to the hospital.

Sergeant O'Donovan said he examined the revolver that was found in deceased's hand. It was a five-chambered weapon, loaded in four compartments. Two consecutive bullets had been fired and he found two empty cartridge cases. A verdict of "Suicide" was returned.

ST. PAUL'S RESTORATION FUND.

A LOCAL EFFORT.

In order to assist the local fund in aid of the Restoration Fund inaugurated by the Dean and Chapter of St. Paul's Cathedral as cabled to H.E. the Governor, a performance of "Saint Joan" by the Hongkong A.D.C., is to be given in the Theatre Royal on Monday next, the 9th inst., at 9 p.m. Advance booking opens at Anderson's on the 6th inst., and it should be explained that a number of local ladies are kindly selling coupon tickets which may be exchanged for the regular tickets at Anderson's. Public booking opens on the 7th. Seats to all parts of the House will be \$4 each. It is hoped there will be a great audience and that the fund will benefit accordingly.

SALE OF CROWN LAND.

A sale of Crown Land, Kowloon Island Lot No. 1953, took place at the P.W.D. Offices yesterday afternoon, when the property was sold at the upset price of \$9,000 to Mr. P. X. V. Ribeiro, who attended on behalf of Miss Maria C. dos Santos.

GALLANTRY REWARDED.

PRESENTATION TO SEAMAN FOR BRAVERY.

The bravery of a seaman of the Government launch "H.D.1," who saved the life of a drowning girl on January 22nd, was suitably acknowledged and rewarded yesterday morning at the Harbour Office, where an interesting little ceremony took place.

The Harbour Master (Lieut.-Comdr. G. F. Hole, R.N.) presented Seaman Leung Shu with a reward of \$25 in recognition of his gallant conduct.

On the date mentioned a sampan capsized in the harbour and the "H.D.1," which was in the vicinity of the accident, immediately proceeded to the spot and two boys, two women and one girl were picked up. It was then found that another girl had sunk below the surface, and Seaman Leung Shu, without hesitation, dived into the water and managed to find the girl. He brought her to the surface, in an unconscious condition. It was entirely due to his prompt and gallant action that the girl's life was saved.

In making the presentation to Leung Shu yesterday morning, the Harbour Master referred in high terms to his brave and efficient action.

HONGKONG CIVIL SERVICE LIST, 1925.

RECENT PENSIONS.

The Hongkong Civil Service List for 1925, compiled in the Colonial Secretary's Office, has just been issued. Besides historical and statistical information and an index to Sessional Papers 1900-1924, the volume contains full information regarding the Civil Establishments—Councils, Boards, Committees and Miscellaneous lists, and a record of the public service of officers.

There are several additions to the list of Senior Pensioned Officers, namely:

Dr. F. T. Keyt, Health Officer of Port	£	s.	d.
Mr. T. L. Perkins, C.M.G., Director of Public Works	416	13	4
Dr. J. T. C. Johnson, Principal Civil Medical Officer	311	13	4
Sir W. Lees Davies, Chief Justice	1,115	15	0
Mr. David Wood, Supdt. of Accounts and Stores, P.W.D.	408	17	9
E. A. de Carvalho, cashier, Treasury	400	0	0
Mr. E. A. Irving, Director of Education	809	4	8

ARMED ROBBERY BOGEY.

A FALSE ALARM.

The bogey of a supposed armed robbery was the cause of some amusement yesterday morning at the Central Police Station.

During the morning an urgent message reached the Station that an armed robbery was being perpetrated at Tung Street. Immediately a detachment of police rushed to the scene with all speed, but one can imagine their surprise and sympathy with their feelings, when all they discovered was a Chinese at No. 37 energetically engaged in persistently blowing a whistle.

This, apparently, caused residents in the neighbourhood to jump to the conclusion that an armed robbery was in progress in one of the houses and they called the police.

However, all's well that ends well and instead of a drama, or a tragedy, the whole incident was instantly converted into something in the nature of a comedy.

CORRESPONDENCE.

"WAIT AND SEE."

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS"]

Sir,—In your to-day's issue, I saw the following question:—Who was the author of the phrase "Wait and See"? You attributed the authorship to Mr. Asquith, and one of your readers to Viscount Goschen (1876). But I give the authorship to the Virgin Mary, when she once propounded (2,000 years ago) this phrase in Latin—

O vos Omnes, qui transitis per viam, attendite et videte (wait and see).
If I am wrong, kindly excuse—Yours faithfully,
ANOTHER OF YOUR READERS.
Macao, January 30th, 1925.

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[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SENSATION IN CAIRO.
TWO DRAMATIC ARRESTS ON TRAIN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CAIRO, February 2nd.

Two individuals, whose names are not given, were dramatically arrested on Saturday morning aboard a train bound from Alexandria for Hammas, while endeavouring to escape to Tripoli. Both men were armed with automatic pistols, and possessed dumdum bullets.

The greatest importance is attached to the arrests in connection with the murder of the late Sirdar.

FRENCH SECURITY.

M. DOUMERGUE ANXIOUS ABOUT GERMAN INTENTION.

PARIS, February 2nd.

M. Doumergue, speaking at a banquet, pointed out that the engagements, guaranteeing French security, had not yet been kept which considerably increased France's expenses and burdens. He emphasised the warlike spirit subsisting in Germany and concluded that as long as France's security has not been fully and thoroughly assured so long will she be faced with a redoubtable menace of aggression. France will be paralysed in all beneficial activities and she must, therefore, have security.—Hans.

CRICKET IN TASMANIA.

M.C.C. PLAYERS SCORE SINGLE INNINGS VICTORY.

HOBART, February 2nd.

The attendance was small to-day, when the return match between the M.C.C. and Tasmania was concluded. The weather was fine and the wicket played well.

The M.C.C. visitors won by an innings and 138.

Tasmania's total in the second innings was 224, towards which H. Myers made 40 and Bennett 35.

H. Howell took 6 wickets for 90 and A. P. Freeman 3 for 53.

EARLIER CABLES.

ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL.

EXPERTS DENY SUGGESTIONS BUILDING NOT SAFE.

LONDON, February 1st.

The Commission of Experts who have been examining St. Paul's Cathedral since 1921 state that the suggestion that the Cathedral is unsafe is unfounded. The methods they recommended for strengthening the main piers of the Cathedral will, if carried out, restore the piers to as good a condition as when they were originally built, and it is very improbable that any further work will be required. They in effect are recommending the continuance of the work carried out by the Cathedral authorities during the past twelve years in refacing the two piers, but with the important addition of first strengthening the interior of the piers.

VIEWS OF TREASURER.

Cannon Alexander, treasurer of St. Paul's Cathedral, states that there is no alternative to this method, namely, trying to replace the piers which are most dangerous. He is assured by the highest engineering and architectural authority in the country that in any attempt to rebuild the piers it is most probable that it would mean the removal of the dome or part of it, which would be so risky that no responsible architect or engineer would be likely to undertake it.

THE EXPELLED PATRIARCH.

GREEK MASSES URGE STRONG MEASURES WITH TURKEY.

ATHENS, January 1st.

A mass meeting organised by the Mayor has passed a resolution, urging the Government to take up a strong attitude on the question of the expulsion of the Patriarch.

Crowds subsequently paraded the streets demanding revenge. They demonstrated before the British Legation. Special police measures have been taken in the vicinity of the Turkish Legation.

OPIUM CONFERENCE.
ESSENTIAL FEATURES OF DRAFT PROTOCOLS.

GENEVA, January 1st.

The following are the essential features of the two draft Protocols distributed yesterday by the joint committee of the first and second Opium Conferences, which emanated from the British delegation:—

The first Protocol reaffirms the obligation under Article 6 of The Hague Convention of 1912, which undertakes effectively to prohibit the use of prepared opium in her Far Eastern territories within 15 years from the effective execution by the producing countries to limit and control the production and distribution of raw opium, so that smuggling no longer constitutes a serious obstacle in carrying out the measures necessary to that end. It provides for the appointment of a Commission by the League of Nations, whose decision shall be final, for the purpose of deciding when the abovementioned measures shall become effective. During the period preceding the Commission's decision every effort shall be made to reduce the consumption of prepared opium and to encourage the abandonment of the practice by existing smokers and to combat illicit traffic. It deals with measures for the effective prohibition of prepared opium at the end of 15 years and exempts persons using prepared opium under a medical certificate. It provides, in event of a serious recrudescence of opium smuggling, for appeal to be made to the Council of the League of Nations to appoint a Commission of Investigation, and should the Commission report that measures by the producing countries to restrict the production and to prevent illicit export be proved ineffective, any of the signatory States shall be entitled to denounce the Protocol, and a Conference of the States concerned shall be immediately held to consider the action to be taken.

The second Protocol deals with dangerous drugs, their limitation and control, production and distribution of raw opium in order to prevent opium smuggling, and further to take the necessary measures to ensure the complete execution of the foregoing obligation within five years, after which a Commission shall be appointed by the League of Nations to decide whether the obligation has been completely executed.

UPROAR IN DUBLIN.

RIVAL FACTIONS CLASH ON COLLEGE GREEN.

DUBLIN, January 1st.

President Cosgrave's first public appearance since his return from holiday in France was attended by considerable disturbance on the occasion of a big demonstration on College Green in support of the Government candidates for by-elections to the Dail, caused by the resignation of members of the National group.

The President was received with cheers and cat-calls. An immense crowd of men and women kept up cries of "Up the Republic! Up De Valera!"

Mr. Cosgrave in a vigorous speech retorted that people won't be saved by stretching out their hands for the moon, and doing nothing until they get it.

Over two hundred police were very busy preserving order. There were exciting incidents when interrupters were ejected, and three arrested, whom the crowd tried to release.

PATRIOTISM IN SPAIN.

GREAT DEMONSTRATION TO GREET PRIMO DE RIVERA.

BARCELONA, February 1st.

Sunday was given up to patriotic demonstrations on the occasion of a visit by Gen. Primo de Rivera who dwelt on the benefits conferred on Barcelona by the establishment of the Directory. He declared that a certain intensity in local Catalan sentiment had been exploited by a few persons who are playing into the hands of covetous foreigners. He stated that the Government would not tolerate, even in theory, separatism and incidentally mentioned that financial overtures had been made to the Riffs in order to secure the release of prisoners, but they had never been utilised to obtain military advantages.

Numerous local dignitaries participated in the demonstrations and delivered patriotic speeches.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

JAPAN-SOVIET TREATY.

NO ALLIANCE YET, STATES FRENCH JOURNAL.

PARIS, February 1st.

Le Matin announces that it learns from an authoritative source that the interpretation placed on the clause of the recently signed Japan-Soviet Treaty, that Japan binds herself not to enter into any understanding hostile to Russia, and therefore to remain aloof from any sanctions "ordained by the League of Nations," is unjustified.

It is explained that Japan and Russia merely gave a mutual guarantee that at present neither shall be bound by any treaty hostile to the other. There is no alliance nor the promise of an alliance.

[FROM THE "DAILY BULLETIN."]

DR. SUN YAT SEN.

PASSES COMFORTABLE NIGHT BUT IS WEAK.

PEKING, February 1st.

Dr. Sun Yat Sen, yesterday afternoon, after slight exertion (presumably owing to official calls) suffered extreme weakness. His pulse rose to 180 and his temperature rose, but he passed a comfortable night.

A GREAT BRITON.

LORD BIRKENHEAD ON SCOTT.

The Earl of Birkenhead, presiding at the annual dinner of the Edinburgh Sir Walter Scott Club, proposed the memory of Sir Walter Scott.

He said he might claim what few Englishmen could claim, that before he went to Oxford more than 30 years ago, he had read every one of Scott's novels at least three times, and he did not believe that one quinquennium had passed without his re-reading them all since that period.

It would be a very incomplete view of the genius of the revered figure of Scott if it were to be supposed that he was only a Scottish hero. "I look upon him as a great Briton. In a crisis, not only to the fortunes of Scotland, but to the Empire, there was none more eloquent, more inspiring, in his presentation of the national case against the tyranny of the Napoleonic system than Walter Scott, and the reverberations and the persuasiveness of his message were not confined to Scotland.

I am one of those who are sufficiently a believer in the teaching of Scott to believe that neither now nor hereafter is this world to be an easy world to live in. I have never been able to persuade myself that the arms of the strong will not be required in the years that lie in front of us. Let us by all means devote every power and every influence that we possess to the effort to avoid war, but do not let us be so blind to the teachings of history as to believe that great possessions will be permitted in the future of the world to soft peoples. They never have been, they never will be.

I incurred some censure in a speech which I made a year ago, which was only liable to any censure because it contained so many platitudes. It was inspired by the very spirit and teaching of Walter Scott, and I for one believe that if you recall, however shortly, the unforgettable achievements of many Scots boys in the terrible part they played to take one instance amongst many, in the Battle of Loos, in which the largest Scots army marched under one banner that had ever been collected since the Battle of Bannockburn, I believe it was because of a martial spirit of this race has been sustained by so many great writers, and principally by Walter Scott, that Scotland so honourably herself and contributed to save the Empire."

TRANSPORT WORKERS' UNION.

PLAN OF RAILWAY EMPLOYEES IN AUSTRALIA.

MELBOURNE, February 1st.

The All-Australian Railway Union Conference decided to negotiate with other transport unions with a view to the formation of one big union of transport workers.

MACHINERY BREAKS DOWN.

MOTOR VESSEL "SILVERPINE" IN TROUBLE.

PORTA DEL GANDA, Feb. 1st.

The British motor vessel *Silverpine*, from Singapore to New York, has put in owing to defective machinery.

EARLIER CABLES.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

BULGAR MINISTER.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1st.

The Bulgarian Minister of Foreign Affairs has resigned.

POLITICAL SITUATION IN CHINA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI IN FUTURE.

CHANGE FROM MILITARY TO CIVIL RULE.

PEKING, February 2nd.

It is reported unofficially that Government is drafting regulations to govern the future administration of Shanghai, which will be civil instead of military and under a Tupan similar to the Tsingtao Administration. Further, it is reported Tang Yu Chun, the Anfuite member of the Cabinet of 1918, will be Tupan.

[FROM THE "DAILY BULLETIN."]

REHABILITATION OF CHINA.

EIGHTY-FOUR DELEGATES ATTEND OPENING.

PEKING, February 1st.

The inauguration ceremony of the Rehabilitation Conference was commenced at 11 o'clock this forenoon in the grand ceremony hall of the Presidency.

The ceremony lasted half-an-hour, those present including Tuan Chi Jui, members of the Cabinet, except Wu Kuang Hsin (Minister for War, who is at present in Shanghai), and 84 delegates.

After the election of Chao Erh Hsun as Chairman, Tuan Chi Jui entered the hall and sat near the Chairman.

Shu Shih Ying, Secretary to the Conference, reported to the meeting regarding his assumption of office in accordance with mandates and the summoning of the delegates, 148 of whom had reached Peking.

ADDRESS OF CONGRATULATION.

Tuan Chi Jui read a congratulatory address, in which he likened Chinese politics to a wheel responding to certain forces. The forward movement of the wheel during the 14 years since the establishment of the Republic appeared to have been downward until now, when the lowest point had been reached, but the upward grade was ahead, and reform following corruption and maladministration was now open to the people. Indeed, the present occasion was one for general satisfaction, for they had there assembled together with the object of discussing the intimate problems it is necessary to overcome in order to work out the national reorganisation.

Tuan Chi Jui compared the work of the Conference to the planting of a grain crop, which grows to maturity in the Springtime for harvest in the Autumn. The people represented the roots, while the seed from which the crop grows should be compared to the wishes of the people.

"BOW TO POPULAR WISHES."

Kung Hsiang Chan, Minister of Interior, representing the Cabinet, gave an address along similar lines, after which Chao Erh Hsin responded on behalf of the delegates. He said that since the Revolution many changes had occurred in China, Central Governments coming and going frequently, but as soon as Tuan Chi Jui again entered the political life telegrams were sent throughout the country advising the people to rely upon the Rehabilitation Conference to provide the initial remedies for the evils of government and the corruption of the national life, while a National Assembly will meet later in order to ensure a permanent foundation for sound government. The aim of the Conference lay in the foundations of reform in accordance with the popular wishes. He considered that the Conference was the most auspicious gathering in the annals of the Republic. The presence of the numerous delegates proved that the hearts of the people were with the Conference, and that the people wanted peace and security. "While we delegates are recognising Tuan Chi Jui's sincerity in the work of national re-unification and reorganisation, we offer him our sincere congratulations, and we express our determination to work for the good of the people."

The Chief Executive and all present then bowed three times before the national flag, while the band played the National Anthem, and the proceedings ended.

ARMS TRAFFIC CONTROL.

U.S. TO JOIN CONFERENCE.

The official report of the Rome Session of the League of Nations Council, published in December, contains the intension that the United States has agreed to send a delegate to the International Conference for the Control of the Traffic in Arms, which is to meet on May 4th. An official representative of the United States has assisted in preparing the Draft Convention, designed to take the place of the St. Germain Convention, which the American Government felt unable to ratify.

At a national conference of the German "Free" Miners' Union held at Bochum resolutions were passed declaring that all tendencies towards high tariffs and monopolies must be opposed in the interest of German industry, and demanding an early ratification of the Washington Agreement concerning hours of work.

FUTURE OF CHINA.
MINISTER AND OPIUM TRADE.

The Acting Chinese Minister (His Excellency Chao Hsin Chu) and Madame Chu, and the Japanese Ambassador (His Excellency Baron Hayashi) were present on December 19th at the annual dinner of the Central Union of Chinese Students in Great Britain and Ireland, which was held at the Hotel Cecil.

Responding to the toast of "The Guests," Mr. Chu said that he had been asked to say a word on opium. Formerly when people talked of opium they always related the subject with China. They wrongly imagined that all Chinese were opium-smokers. This misconception must be removed. China had decided by law to suppress the opium traffic. That was in 1917. When they had succeeded in combating this evil China would make greater strides in her development. The evil of drugs was a world-wide one. Many countries attending the Geneva Conference reported that they were seriously affected by the evils of morphine, heroin, cocaine and opium. If we went to such the whole world from these dangerous drugs, all the nations must be united in the fight for their suppression. (Hear, hear.)

Speaking of the political situation, His Excellency said China was a country in a period of transition, and events must take their normal course. They need not be pessimistic. Political changes in a country were not a sign of going back; they were a sign of political progress. Every political change in a country was a contribution in a country towards its evolution and progress. Meanwhile what they must be prepared to help in every way was the young people of China. The young students there that evening were privileged to acquire Western education. Their fellow-countrymen were looking forward to their return to help in making the Fatherland prosperous. (Hear, hear.) In Western countries they found many of the professions overcrowded. In their own country many professions were in need of leaders. The Chinese students in England were privileged to be pioneers of the progress and development of their own Fatherland. (Hear, hear.)

Among those present were: Mr. Hing Shung Mok, president of the Union, presided, and the guests included Madame Chu, General Sir Neil and Lady Malcolm, Sir Edward and Lady Denison Ross, Mr. W. W. Grantham, K.C., Mr. Philip Burt, Sir John and Lady Jordan, Mr. Rakovsky (Soviet Chargé d'Affaires) and Mme. Rakovsky, Mrs. Hing Shung Mok, Admiral Sir E. R. Fremantle, the Bishop of Victoria, Mr. Y. T. Su (Chinese Consul-General), Mr. Y. C. Lee (hon. Treasurer), Mr. S. W. Chung, B.A., LL.B. (hon. secretary of the Union), Mr. Y. A. Hori (Japanese Consul-General), and Mr. S. F. Ho, B.A. (ex-hon. treasurer of the Union).

A COCKNEY IN PERSIA.

"MONSIEUR" RIDGEWAY.

A recent issue of *Blackwood's Magazine* contains an animated account of the adventures of "A Sealawag Command" at Sennah in Persia Kurdistana. The Command found the poor of Sennah starving as the result of exploitation by profiteers, and set them to improve communications, paying them good money and organising special bakeries. Among those so employed were nearly 2,000 starving women. The narrative proceeds:—

Personnel to supervise this was, of course, a great difficulty, as to be of any value it could not be entrusted to Persian officials. At last the right man for the job was discovered, our Private Ridgeway, of the 14th Hussars. Monsieur Ridgeway, as all the local people called him, was one of the most singular products of the British Army. He had knocked about the world a good deal during his service, had acquired an unusual fluency in soldier French and soldier Hindustani, and was now learning soldier Persian very rapidly. He was a tiny man, a thorough Cockney; with the true Cockney mental agility, while with it all he obviously had strongly developed maternal instincts, for certainly he was a father to these poor wretches. In a few days there was nothing he did not know about his thousand odd Amans. He could tell you all about their morals—which were keeping straight, which were likely to get into trouble and which were "a bit flighty," but with no real harm in them.

THE BATHING PARADE. He knew which were beginning to respond to better feeding and put on a bit of flesh, and he took it almost as a personal insult if any dared not to look better after she had been for a few days under his charge. It was really embarrassing at an inspection of the labour corps to be asked to poke a respectable looking old lady in the ribs, and to be asked if one did not think that she had put on a bit more flesh since one was last round. And yet the good old thing reappeared not a bit from Monsieur Ridgeway, whom they all adored. I asked him how he managed to get them all to look as clean as they did, for cleanliness is not normally one of the virtues of the Persian poor. "Oh," he said, "I learned them to wash in the river, and a rare difficult job it was too. The first time I took them down to the stream, not one of them would touch water, so I jumped in myself and shows them how. It wasn't long before they followed me, and now we all does it first thing every morning." I always meant to attend one of Ridgeway's bathing parades, but somehow I could never summon up the necessary nerve. Nothing like that ever troubled Ridgeway, however, and I am sure he owed a great deal of his influence among them to his complete lack of approaching self-consciousness.

EXPULSED BY BOLSHIEVKS.
CAPTAIN RASMUSSEN RETURNS FROM THE ARCTIC.

COPENHAGEN, December 1st.—Captain Knud Rasmussen, the explorer, has given in Norway from Alaska, and has given further details of the last part of his three years' journey in the Arctic. As is known, he travelled from Greenland to Bering Strait, and intended to journey through Siberia. His attempt to continue his researches west of Bering Strait were, however, frustrated by the Bolshevik authorities. On his arrival on the Siberian coast he was arrested and conducted to the District Governor, who ordered his expulsion.

Relating his experiences Rasmussen said that having parted from the other members of the expedition in King William's Land, in April, 1923, he first met an Eskimo tribe called Netsilik, whom he found still living completely in the Stone Age. It was dangerous to visit these Eskimos, as there was an unending blood feud between the various tribes east of Victoria Land. These tribes mainly got their living through exchanging abductions and all strangers were consequently considered enemies or avengers. When Rasmussen and his followers arrived at the Netsilik settlements they were met by the women only, the men lying in ambush. The women, moreover, discovered assist in entrapping their enemies, embracing their intended victims, and giving the men the opportunity to stab them from behind. Rasmussen, however, succeeded in gaining the confidence of these wild tribes by approaching them without arms. In some parts Rasmussen found that Amundsen was still remembered, but to the younger generation the coming of white men was almost a myth.

In Alaska, Rasmussen met inland tribes who had no knowledge of kajaks (the usual Eskimo boat), but still kept up connection with the coast, going down the rivers in squadrons of large skinboats, and buying blubber for lighting their houses. Further west among the rock dwellers in Bering Strait, Rasmussen was surprised to find kajaks still used by these walrus hunters with the same skill as the East Greenlanders.

No language difficulties occurred until the South Yukon River district was reached. Here Rasmussen had to use an interpreter among the Nunavut, an interesting tribe which holds highly ceremonial festivals on various occasions, when elaborate masks are worn which are afterwards burnt. Rasmussen, however, obtained a few of the masks for his collections.

Rasmussen was much struck by the high intellectual standard of the Alaska Eskimos who were in contact with Americans. Numbers of schools had been started for them, but only English instruction was given, and the Eskimos complained that their own language was not taught.

A journey of 20,000 miles along the north coast of America was carried through without the loss of a single dog. The Greenland dogs proved their mettle all the way. No other team was able to cover shorter distances and follow up the expedition. In the short time Rasmussen was in Alaska he discovered that he was able to understand the language of the local Eskimo. The explorer declares that his researches ought to be continued in co-operation by Denmark, Canada, and the United States. Rasmussen has brought with him extensive ethnographical, zoological, and botanical collections. During his sleds' tour from Hudson Bay to Bering Strait he took 25,000 feet of cinematograph film.

DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR SERVICES.

COMPETITIVE EXAMINATIONS THIS SUMMER.

The Civil Service Commissioners have been authorized by the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs to announce that competitive examinations open to men only for the Foreign Office and Diplomatic Service, and for Consular services will be held in July and August, 1925, concurrently with the competition for the Junior Grade of the Administrative Class of the Home Civil Service, open both to men and women, which has already been announced.

The number of vacancies to be filled cannot be announced, nor can it be stated in what branch or branches of the Consular Service vacancies will be offered for competition. It is possible that one or two posts in the Intelligence Office Grade in the Department of Overseas Trade may be filled on the result of the competition for the Consular services, but no undertaking on this point can at present be given.

DEATH OF "DUTCH DALY."

"Dutch Daly," who was for many years a popular music-hall performer, died suddenly on December 22nd while walking on the front at Brighton, where he had been living for the last three years. He was 77, and Daly was his real name. As a comedian he aimed at broad, by no means subtle, effects, which he obtained by means of his comical, his exaggerated clothes, and his rapid "patter." Fifty-four years ago he married Miss Blanche Moncrieff, a Canadian, who was also a music-hall artist.

LOG OF THE R3.

The manuscripts and copies of the log of the R3 on its voyage to America, and back in July 1919, with the commander's marginal notes, congratulatory telegrams, and photographs, fetched 100g. at Hodgson's recently. Sir Charles Wakefield being the purchaser. The occasion was the sale of the remarkable aeronautical library formed by the late Air Commodore E. M. Maitland, D.S.O. It included a presentation inscribed copy of Kipling's "Actions and Reactions" (containing the story "With the Night Mail"), which Sir Charles Wakefield also purchased for 290.

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PARIS FASHION NOTES.

[FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT,
ISABEL RAMSAY.]

PARIS, December 20th.

The tailored blouse is having a great
run of popularity just now, perhaps be-
cause tweeds are being more worn than
they have been for some time past. A new
material has been found for the fashion-
ing of blouses of this type, and that is
satin. It makes up into extraordinarily
smart blouses that are not too unusual
for morning wear yet quite elegant
enough for afternoon or even evening
wear on informal occasions. Satin has
one disadvantage, though, and this is
that it does not wash well and has to
be sent to the cleaners when soiled. As
white satin is more effective in this mat-
ter than any other shade, this is a draw-
back as it is very easily soiled and there-
fore, can become very expensive from its
frequent visits to the cleaners.

Crispe satin, which produces almost the
same effect as satin, is also being used
a lot for blouses, and possesses the ad-
vantage of submitting quite well to
laundering. Shirt blouses, less original
perhaps but quite effective nevertheless,
are still being made of our old friends
crêpe de Chine, Shantung and China
silk.

One of the characteristics about the
sports costumes which are being designed
for the winter sports season in Switzer-
land is the growing tendency to replace
the skirt with close-fitting breeches. The
suits destined for wear when skating or
indulging in other forms of snow and
ice sports, are almost without exception,
made with trousers instead of skirts,
although very often this other garment
is added as a separate piece that can be
donned if the purchaser feels nervous
about appearing without it, or has more
scruples on the matter. Naturally, this
skirt is knee length or a shade below so
as just to cover up the breeches without
adding undue encumbrance to the wear-
er, and most of those I have seen have
been quite plain in cut for the same rea-
son. At times, the place of the skirt as
a "covering up" medium, is filled by
a straight, plain-fitting coat, which, like
the skirt, of course, reaches no lower than
the knees.

Close-fitting hats made of the same
material as the costumes are the smartest
finish in the way of head-gear for winter
sports wear. There are also a number
of attractive woollen caps about, with
scarves and gloves to match that are
bound to be immensely popular with the
women who like to add a little variety
to their appearance. The suits for early
Spring wear which certain houses are
now showing are mostly being made of
kasha or of fine tweed. The tweed suit
seems to have come to stay this time, for
one now sees it on any and every occa-
sion, whereas, not so long ago, one felt
like apologising for wearing a tweed suit
except when travelling or on a golf
course. Its simple, solid appearance
gives it a modern touch that must make
it irresistible to women who ape modern-
ism in dress. Kasha, though a little
lighter in weight, is not so rapid or
formal in appearance and so lends itself
more readily to the creation of simple,
wrap-around coats and the one-piece
frocks that are worn underneath. One
can not play with tweed, it must always
be made up into strictly tailored suits,
with a three quarters or full length coat
or else with a straight line jacket that
imitates a man's sac coat, and a plain,
straight skirt, the only detail of trim-
ming allowed being buttons that har-
monise with the main threads of the
tweed. With the tweed suits that will
be worn this Spring, there will be smart
tailored blouses made of white, black or
coloured satin, showing long sleeves
finished with a turn back cuff and a
row of tiny buttons or else closing with
a double collar caught with a natty black
tie or bow of black ribbon.

The new Spring models which some of
the milliners are now allowing the
buyers to have a peep at, are excluding
the high, pointed and crushed crowns
altogether from their lists, and substitut-
ing in their place the old forms of the
close-fitting hat with the round or square
topped crown. This is the type of hat
that has been found to be becoming to
almost every type of feminine beauty
and the most kind and coquettish
every type of feminine ugliness, hence
the united decision of the milliners to
reinstate it again next Spring.

To vary what is after all a new version
of an old form, new and charming ideas
in trimming and material will be intro-
duced. Tucked crepe is one of them,
and the effect of this is particularly
happy as it introduces softness and an
opportunity for variety into hats of this
simple shape. The tucks often show a
gradation of colour by the mere trick of
catching lights and shadows from differ-
ent angles, especially when the material
used is a particularly brilliant one.
One which I particularly admired was
made of egyptian pink crepe tucked
horizontally, and the play of light and
shade reflected back by the tucks made
a composition of astounding originality
and beauty.

Narrow straw braid used as an appliqué
on tulle or crêpe-covered shapes is an-
other method of introducing variety
in the new hats. "Braid the same
shade or braid in a different shade or
series of shades to that of the material
covering the form, may be used. Ribbon
applied in much the same way, is
also a feature of the new models pre-
pared for next Spring.

Six ensembles and a few extra frocks
go, in general to make up the cool weather
wardrobe of the practical woman of the
world. Add to this anywhere from
half to a dozen hats, a pair of shoes
for wear with each costume and a plen-
tiful supply of accessories, and you will
have the simple but necessary wardrobe
of the really well-dressed woman. The
collection will include a morning suit,
with its accessories of blouse, bag, umbrel-
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ensemble composed of a simple frock

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examined on Saturday, 7th February, 1925, at
10 a.m.
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days of the Steamer's arrival here, after which
date they cannot be recognized.

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have left the Godowns, and all Goods remain-
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and a coat and hat to match it, a dinner
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adding a trimming to dark serge and
satin frocks, and even to the small close-
fitting hats that are worn with them,
and the effect is novel and attractive in
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forms, tinging them in harmonious shades
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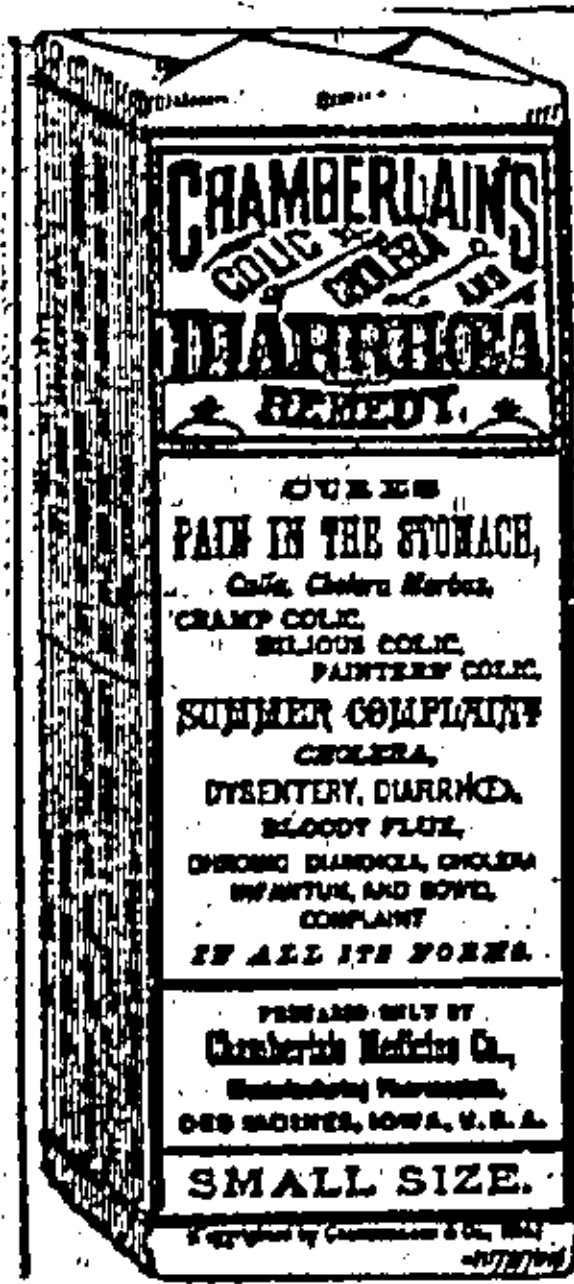
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DEPARTURES.

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Per Dollar liner *President Hayes*, on February 3rd:—Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Moeller, Master R. Moeller, Mr. H. J. Eddo, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lang, Mr. G. P. Bradford, Mr. P. M. Davis, Mr. H. A. Smith, Mr. E. F. Carpenter, Mr. L. J. Sung, Mr. Norwood, Mr. A. H. Atkins, Mr. and Mrs. H. Barnes, Mrs. L. H. Garlington, Mr. G. G. Leontief, Mr. J. E. Gardner, Miss U. Anderson, Mrs. E. Bletner, Mrs. M. Clumek, Miss T. Clumek, Comdr. and Mrs. C. J. Lang, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Lewis, Mr. J. C. Massey, Dr. and Mrs. Miller, Mr. W. Nagle, Mrs. C. H. Uebahn, Miss H. Pettyjohn, Mrs. D. Partridge, Very Rev. John Rogers, Rev. M. Ryan, Miss F. D. Smith, Mr. D. Willard, Miss A. Ambrose, Mr. G. Castle, Mrs. J. Freer, Mr. and Mrs. M. Hasselberger, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Horner, Mr. W. R. Russ, Mr. H. Matheson, Miss S. Walton, Mr. A. F. Cooke, Miss M. M. Cooke, Mrs. I. H. Feavel, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Kotzen, Mr. and Mrs. F. Lohmann, Mr. W. E. Montgomery, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Porter, Mr. and Mrs. K. Kay, Mrs. E. May, Miss H. Alexander, Miss M. C. Hazard, Mr. and Mrs. A. Carey, Miss A. M. Nixon, Miss M. Crawford, and Miss R. Preuschoff.

LION TRAINER ATTACKED.

DR. IVANOFF HAS SENSATIONAL EXPERIENCE.

BOULOGNE, December 10th.
A large crowd of spectators present at a show at the Kursaal in the Rue Victor Hugo, Boulogne, yesterday, witnessed a thrilling duel between a lioness and her trainer, Dr. Ivanoff.

The trainer had been in the lion's den some minutes, and midway through the performance sat on the floor of the cage with the lioness on either side of him. He was about to rise when a lioness struck him a violent blow on his shoulder and face with her paw.

Ivanoff, jumping clear, was able to use his whip and sent the lioness cowering to the opposite corner. Blood began to flow freely from the trainer's facial wound, and at the sight of this the second lioness made for him.

Ivanoff dealt with her in a similar manner, and, though suffering considerable pain, refused to leave the den until he was satisfied that all three beasts were absolutely under control. He was loudly cheered when he came out.

NAVY AND FISHERMEN.

ADMIRAL TYRWHITT'S WARM TRIBUTE.

"We in the Navy have a very firm regard for the fishermen, for we have not forgotten what they did for us in the war," said Rear-Admiral Sir Reginald Tyrwhitt, presiding at a recent annual meeting of the Scottish Coast Mission in the Gould Hall, Edinburgh. He recalled how in the early days of the war it was found necessary to protect a great many harbours with wire nets. The fishermen did that for the Navy. They in the Navy did not know how to make nets to keep out the German submarines. The fishermen not only showed the Navy how to make the nets, but also to put them into position. These nets were big, cumbersome, and heavy, 250 yards long and 40 to 50 feet in depth. In some cases these protective nets were between four and five miles long, each 250 yards section being laced together, a work which was done by the fishermen.

Other fishermen, he continued, carried out their fishing in the ordinary way in the face of the dangers of war. Others went to watch these protective nets, and they were equipped with apparatus whereby they were able to detect when a German submarine was engaged in the nets, and it was their duty to advise the *comandante*. Then there were others who went to sea apparently to fish, but who simply drifted about doing nothing—waiting to be attacked. There was nothing more nerve-racking than to hang about and wait until you are attacked. These boats had many gallant actions with the enemy submarines. They were armed with only one small gun, very carefully concealed.

He appreciated the good work of the fishermen. They performed very good work, and were responsible for saving a large number of German submarines. The war record of the fishermen would be handed down to posterity, and he had no hesitation in saying that the deeds they were responsible for were just as deserving of praise as the most brilliant deeds performed in the course of the war. In conclusion, Sir Reginald said the Scottish Coast Mission was deserving of all the help and sympathy they could bestow upon it.

SAFER AIR TRAVEL.

FRENCH GOVERNMENT TESTING INVENTIONS.

The aviation section of the French Minister of War is experimenting with inventions to reduce the dangers of flying. The first device is a brake to stop a falling plane.

But how can one stop a plane that is out of control and falling through the air with nothing for the brake to act upon? This apparently insuperable difficulty has been adroitly met by the inventor, Captain Lepoint, who has devised an apparatus which consists of two fuselages connected with cylinders filled with a specially prepared chemical. The impelled aviator operates a switch, fires the fuses and transforms the chemical into an extremely high-pressure gas. The explosion of the gas sends the falling machine upward again, and the force of the fall is broken. No suggestion is offered as to what happens to the unlucky people below.

The other device is an adaptation of the familiar parachute. When a pilot finds himself out of control, at a great height, and is unable to right himself because either his motor or his controls have failed, he releases a parachute large enough to bring himself and his passengers safely to the ground. As soon as the parachute is brought into operation, the motor and wings of the machine are automatically detached and the airplane descends at a rate not exceeding two or three yards a second. How fast the engine and the wings descend and whom they hit is another matter.

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MANILA	"KINGSANG"	Sunday	8th Feb.	7 a.m.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	"MINGSANG"	Sunday	8th Feb.	10 a.m.
HAIPHONG via HOIHOW	"HINGSANG"	Monday	9th Feb.	Noon
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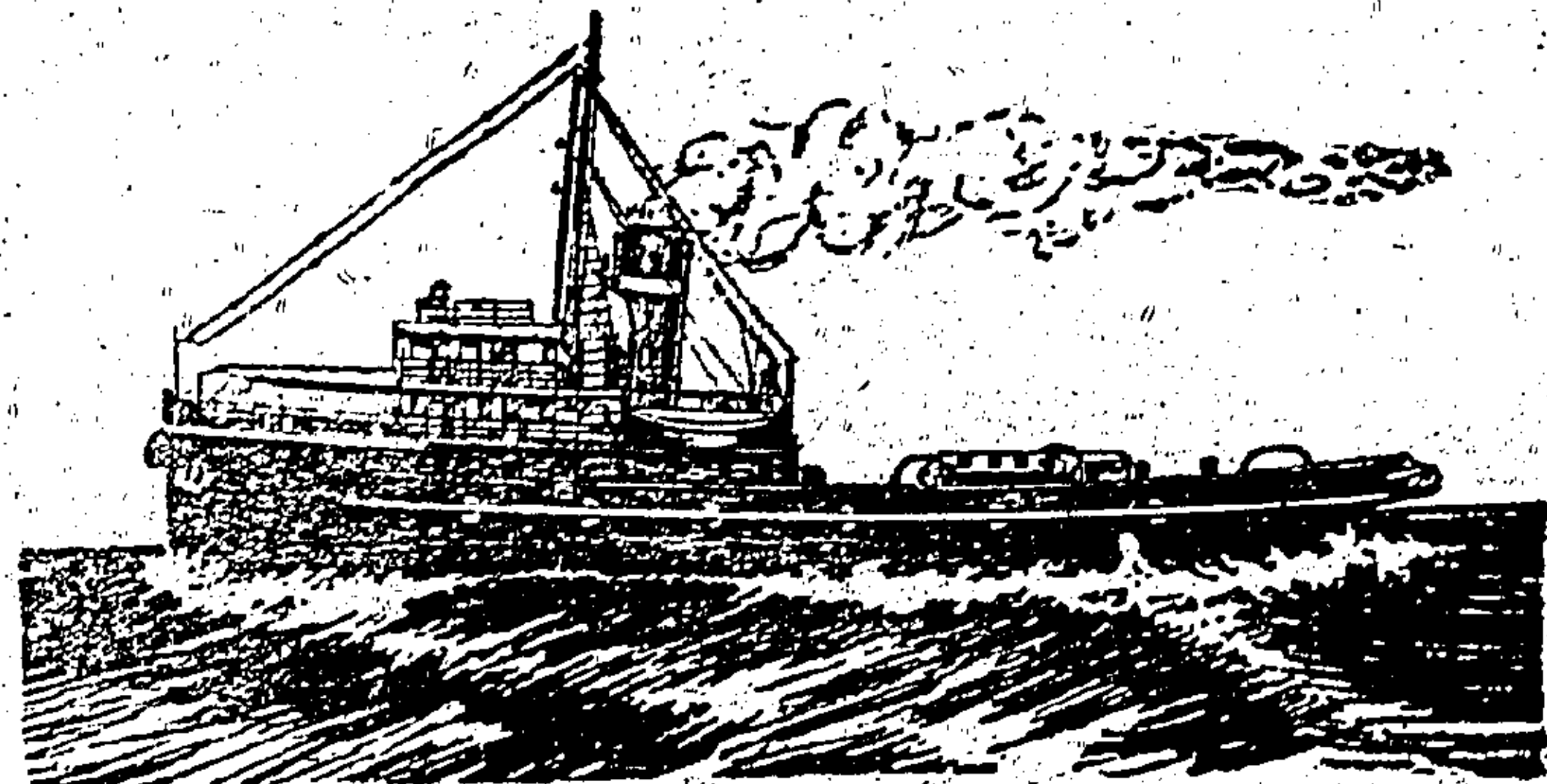
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"SARDINIA"	10,911	2nd May	Marseilles & London
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"KARNATAKA"	10,911	6th June	Marseilles & London
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"NAGOYA"	10,018	15th June	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"SARDINIA"	10,018	22nd June	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"SOUDAN"	10,018	29th June	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KASHGAR"	10,018	6th July	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"SICILIA"	10,018	13th July	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"MANTUA"	10,018	20th July	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
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SHANGHAI, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"HUNAN"	On 4th Feb., Noon
HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"TAKING"	On 5th Feb., 10 a.m.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"SOOCHOW"	On 5th Feb., 11 a.m.
AMOI & SINGAPORE	"KAIHUI"	On 5th Feb., Noon
SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"YINGCHOW"	On 5th Feb., 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"LIANGCHOW"	On 7th Feb., 4 p.m.
HOIHOW & BANGKOK	"CHENAN"	On 8th Feb., 10 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KWANGTUNG"	On 8th Feb., 11 a.m.
AMOI & SINGAPORE	"SZECHUEN"	On 10th Feb., D.L.
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